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Applicant: Leonard Forbes et al.

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- ☒ A return postcard.
- ☒ An Amendment and Response under 37 CFR 1.111 (8 Pages).
- ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 pgs.), Form 1449 (1 pgs.), and copies of 12 cited references.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee for consideration of Information Disclosure Statement under 97(c).
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$84.00 to cover the fee for additional claims as calculated below.
- ☒ Clean Version of Pending Claims (7 pgs.).

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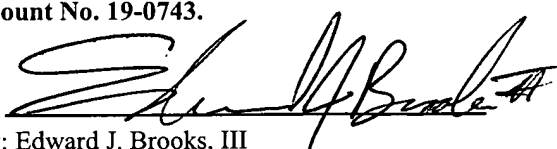
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on October 10, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 17, 31, 33, 36 and 41, and addition of new claim 51. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

17. (Twice Amended) A memory cell, comprising:

a [lateral] transistor formed in a layer of semiconductor material outwardly from a substrate, the transistor including a first source/drain region, a body region and a second source/drain region;

a trench capacitor formed in a trench and coupled to the first source/drain region; and

a first plate of polycrystalline material formed in the trench that is coupled to a second plate integral with the first source/drain region thereby forming a conductorless electrical connection between the trench capacitor and the transistor, the second plate having an etch-roughened surface ; and

an insulator layer that separates the first polycrystalline plate from the etch-roughened surface of the second plate.